

**SYLLABUS**

# **Master thesis in history (D-level) 15 credits H7004N**

**Examensarbete historia, magister**

**Course syllabus admitted: Autumn 2023 Sp 1 - Present**

**DECISION DATE  
2023-02-15**

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### Second cycle, H7004N

Education level	Grade scale	Subject	Subject group (SCB)
Second cycle	U G VG *	Historia	History

### Main field of study

History

## Entry requirements

Academic degree, minimum 180 credits of which at least 90 credits in history ((including degree project in history 15 credits) and completed at least 15 credits advanced level courses in history with at least a passing grade, or equivalent.

## Selection

The selection is based on 30-285 credits

## Course Aim

After completing the student should:

### ***Knowledge and understanding:***

- at an advanced level, be able to use concepts and theories from history and other relevant neighboring disciplines, in a historical essay
- at an advanced level, be able to use methods from history and other relevant neighboring disciplines, in a historical thesis work
- have an advanced ability to relate theoretical and methodological approaches in a historical essay
- have extensive knowledge of current research, both nationally and internationally, of relevance to the essay topic,

### ***Competence and skills:***

- be able to independently formulate a clear aim and research questions that are scientifically relevant and well defined about a historical phenomenon, event or process of change
- have the ability to collect, structure, process, analyze and critically evaluate sources and scientific literature by writing a historical essay,
- be able to define and justify the delimitations of the study and the choice of scientific theory and methods,
- be able to present a coherent, convincing and well-expressed line of argument, formulated in a linguistically correct way,
- be able to understand scientific texts and assess its relevance to the own essay topic.

### ***Judgement and approach:***

- be able to critically analyze the empirical material,
- show awareness of the social and ethical aspects of historical research and express this in an historical essay,
- discuss and defend their own essay work, as well as review, evaluate and discuss fellow students' essays.

## Contents

The essay topic is chosen in consultation with the supervisor. Choice of subject, theory, method, material, etc. specified by the student in written memoranda that are discussed with supervisors and other students at seminars. The essay is written independently and individually and is defended at a final seminar where the author also acts as an opponent of other students' essays.

## Realization

Each course occasion's language and form is stated and appear on the course page on Luleå University of Technology's website.

The teaching consists of tutorials and seminars. The essay is written individually with the support of a supervisor. The tutorial is carried out both individually and in groups. The seminars include both memoranda and, finally, complete essays.

Some parts of the course realization may be in English. The thesis may be written in English.

## Examination

If there is a decision on special educational support, in accordance with the Guideline Student's rights and obligations at Luleå University of Technology, an adapted or alternative form of examination can be provided.

The course is partly examined through participation in seminars (2.0 ECTS). Partly through an individual written essay (13.0 ECTS).

E-registration of the essay is also required according to LTU's rules. The work must be completed no later than 12 calendar months after the course has formally ended. The student can only count on further supervision 6 calendar months after the course has formally ended.

## Unauthorized aids during exams and assessments

If a student, by using unauthorized aids, tries to mislead during an exam or when a study performance is to be assessed, disciplinary measures may be taken. The term "unauthorized aids" refers to aids that the teacher has not previously specified as permissible aids and that may assist in solving the examination task. This means that all aids not specified as permissible are prohibited. The Swedish version has interpretative precedence in the event of a conflict.

## Remarks

Students must register for the courses themselves, or contact ETKS educational administration [eduetks@ltu.se](mailto:eduetks@ltu.se), no later than three days after the quarter commences. Failure to do so can result in the place being lost. This rule also applies to students with a guaranteed place.

## Course offered by

Department of Social Sciences, Technology and Arts

## Modules

Code	Description	Grade scale	Cr	Status	From period	Title
0002	Seminars	U G#	2	Mandatory	A23	
0003	Essay	U G VG *	13	Mandatory	A23	

## Study guidance

Study guidance for the course is to be found in our learning platform Canvas before the course starts. Students applying for single subject courses get more information in the Welcome letter. You will find the learning platform via My LTU.

## Last revised

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## Syllabus established

The syllabus was established on February 28, 2007 and is valid from the autumn term 2007.